## ALLAN QUATERNAIN.

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ATTHOR OF "EING BOLONON'S MINES." "JESS," "THE WITCH'S HEAD," ETC.

CHAPTER XXII.-CONTINUED

On ne came, caking nim at his word, and drove the big spear with such force at Um-alopogass that it sunk right through the tough shield and pierced him in the neck. The Zulu cast down the transfixed shield, and ent was Agon's last, for before he could free his spear and strike again, with a shout of "There's for thee, rain maker!" Umslopogaas griped Inkosi-kaas with both hands, and whirled her on high, and drove ber right on to his venerable head, so that Agon rolled down dead among the corpses of his fellow murderers, and there was an end of him and his plots together. And even as he fell a great cry rose from the foot of the stair, and looking out through the portion of the doorway that was yet unclosed we saw armed men rushing up to the rescue, and called an answer to their shouts. Then the would be murderers who yet remained on the stairway, and among whom I saw several priests, turned to fly, but, having nowhere to go, were butchered as they fled. Only one man stayed, and be was the great lord Nasta, otha's suitor, and the father of the plot. moment the black bearded Nasta stood with bowed face leaning on his long sword as though in despair, and then, with a dreadful shout, he too rush d up at the Zuiu, and, swinging the gli tering sword around his bend, dealt him such a mighty blow beneath his guard that the keen steel of the heavy blade bit right through the chain armor and deep into Umslopogaas' side, for a moment paralyzing him and causing him to drop

Raising the sword again, Nasta sprang forward to make an end of him, but little he knew his foe. With a shake and a yell of fury, the &ulu gathered himself togeth sprang straight at Nasta's throat, as I have sprang straight at Nasta's throat, as I have sometimes seen a wounded hon spring. He struck him full as his foot was on the top-most stair, and his long arms closing round him like iron bands, down they rolled together struggling furiously. Nasta was a strong man and a desperate, but he could not match the strongest man in Zululand, sore wounded though he was whom strength was wounded though he was, whose strength was the strength of a bull. In a minute the end came. I saw old Umslopogaas stagger to his feet—ay, and sow him, by a single gigan-tic effort, swing up the struggling Nasta, and, with a shout of triumph, hurl him straight over the parapet of the bridge, to be

The succor which had been summoned by the giri who had passed down the stair before the assassins passed up was at hand, and the loud shouts which reached us from the outer s told us that the town was also aroused, and the men awakened by the women were calling to be admitted. Some of Nyleptha's brave ladies, who, in their night shifts and with their long hair streaming down their backs, just as they had been aroused from rest, had worked so gallantly at blocking the passage through the wall, went off to admit them at the side entrance, while others, assisted by the rescu ing party outside, pushed and pulled down the marble blocks they had placed there with

Soon the wall was down again, and through the doorway, followed by a crowd of re cuers, staggered old Umslopogaas, an awful, and, in a way, a glorious figure. The man was a mass of wounds, and a glance at his wild eye told me that he was dying. The "keshla" gum ring upon his bead was severed in two places by sword cuts, one just over the carious hole in his skull, and the blood poured down his face from the ga-hes. Also, on the right ude of his neck was a stab from a spear, inflicted by Agon; there was a deep cut on his left arm just below where the mail shirt sleeve stopped, and on the right side of his body the armor was severed by a gash six inches long where Nasta's mighty sword had bitten through it and de-p into its wearer's

On, ax in band, he staggered, that dreadful looking, splendid savage, and the ladies for-got to turn faint at the scene of blood, and cheered him, as well they neight, but he never stayed or needed. With out-tretched arms now filling with bastily armed men, who red through the side entrance. Straight up the ball he went, leaving behind him a track of blood on the marble pavement, till at last be reached the sacred stone, which stood in the center of it, and here his strength sed to fail him, for he stopped and leaned upon his ax. Then suddenly be lifted up his voice and cried aloud:

"I die, I die-but it was a kingly fray Where are they who came up the great stair! I see them not. Art thou there, Macuma sahn, or art thou gone before to wait for me in the dark whither I go! The blood blinds me-the piace turns round-I hear the voice Next, as though a new thought had struck

him, he lifted the red ax and kissed the blade "Farewell, Inkosi kaas!" he cried. "Nay. nay, we will go together, we cannot part, thou and I. We have lived too long one with another, thou and I. One more stroke, only one! A good stroke! a straight stroke! strong stroke!" and, drawing himself to his full beight, with a wild heart shaking s oth hands began to whirl the ax around his head till it looked like a circle of steel. Then suddenly with awful force be brought it down straight on to the crown of the mass of sacred stone. A shower of sparks flew up, and such was the almost erbuman strength of the blow that th saive marble split with a rending sound into a score of pieces, while of Inkosi-kaas there remained but some fragments of steel and a fibrous rope of shattered born that had been the handle. Down with a crash on to the pavement fell the fragments of the holy stone, and down with a crash on to them, still grasping the knob of Inkosi-kans, fell the brave old Zulu-dead. And thus the hero

A gasp of wonder and astonishment rose nary sight, and then somebody cried, "The prophecy! the prophecy! He has shattered the sacred stone!" and at once a murmuring



"One more stroke, only one!" "Ay," said Nyleptha, with that quick wit which distinguished her—"ay, my people, he has shattered the stone, and behold the prophecy is fulfilled, for a stranger king rules in Zu-Vendis. Incubu, my lord, hath best Sorais back, and I fear her no more, and to him who bath saved the crown it shall surely be

And this man, see said, turning to me and laying her hand upon my shoulder, "wot ye that, though wounded in the fight of yesterday, he rode, with that old warrior who lies masonry of the a-micircular space at the top there, one hundred miles 'twixt sun set and rise to save " e from the plots of cruel men. Ay, and he has saved me, by a very little, and therefore because of the deeds that they have done-deeds of glory such as our history cannot show the like—therefore I say that the name of Macumazahn and the name of dead Umslopogaas, av, and the name of Kara, my who aided him to bold the stair, shall be blazoned in letters of gold above my and shall be glorious forever while

This spirited speech was met with loud cheering, and I said that after all we had only done our duty, as it is the fashion of both Englishmen and Zulus to do, and there was nothing to make an outcry about; at which they cheered still more, and then I was supported across the outer court yard to my old quarters, in order that I might be put to bed. As I went my eyes lit upon the brave horse Daylight that lay there, his white head outstretched on the pavement, exactly as he had attendance if possible. Accordingly greatly lifting his head a little, whinnied, fail to the little children as the "horse which hand she still held the toy spear of silver saved the White Queen's life."

washed and had my mail shirt removed. They hurt ma good deal in getting it off and no wonder for on my left breast and

The next thing that I remember was the ten hours later I raised myself and asked what was the news, and they told me that a large body of cavalry sent by Curtis to assist the queen, had arrived from the one of the battle, which they had left to hours after sundown. When they left the wreck of Sorais' army was in full retreat upon M'Arstuna, followed by all our effective cavalry Sir Henry was encamping the re is the fortune of war; that Sorais had occu pied the night before, and proposed march heard this. I felt that I could die with a light

beart, and then everything became a blank When next I awoke the first thing I saw straight over the parapet of the bridge, to be crushed to powder on the rocks 200 feet be-glass, behind which was Good

"How are you getting on, old chap" said a voice from the neighborhood of the eye glass. "What are you doing here" I asked faintly "You ought to be at M'Arstuna, have you run away, or what?"

"M Arstuna!" be replied, cheerfully "Ab, M'Arstuna fell last week—you've been unconscrous for a fortnight, you see-with all the honors of war you know, trumpets blowing, flags flying, just as though they had the best of it, but for all that weren t they glad to go! Israel made for his tents, I can tell you never saw such a sight in my life."

Sorais-ou, Sorais is a prisoner they gave ber up the scoundrels' he added, with a change of tone—"sacrificed the queen to save their skins, you see She is being brought up here and I don't know what will nappen to ber poor soul and be sighed.
"Where is Curtisf 1 asked.

"He is with Nyleptina. She rode out to ulty in Zu Vendis as elsewhere; thought that be had better not come today.

I said nothing, but somehow I thought to myself that notwithstanding the doctors be might have given me a look, but then, when a great victory, be is apt to listen to the ad

yiee of do-tors, and quite right too.

Just then I heard a familiar voice informing
me that "Monsieur must now couch himself,"
and looking up perceived Alphonse's enor mous black mu staches curling away in the

"So you are here?" I said.
"Mais out, monsieur. the war is now fin-ished, my military instincts are satisfied, and

the spot where the blocks of marble lay, through the round arched doorway and the thick curtains that hung within it, down the short passage and into the great hall, which was now filling with hastily armed men, who poured through the side or the side of the some great ancestral name), a better or a kinder nurse never lived. Poor Alphonse! I ope he will always think of me as kindly as

I timk of him.

On the morrow I saw Curtis and Nyleptha with him, and he told me the whole history of what had happened since Unislopogaas and I galloped wildly away from the battle to save the life of the queen. It seemed to me that he had managed the thing exceedingly well, and showed great ability as a general of course, however, our loss had been dread-fully heavy—indeed, I am afraid to say how many perished in the desperate battle I have described, but I know that the slaughter has appreciably affected the male population of the country He was very pleased to see me dear fellow that be is, and thanked me with tears in his eyes for the little 1 had been able to do. I mw him, however, start violently when his eyes fell upon my face.

now that "her dear lord" had come back with no other injury than an ugly scar on his "And what art thou going to do with

Instantly her bright brow darkened to a "Sorais," she said, with a little stamp of the

foot, "ah, but Sorais" Sir Henry hastened to turn the subject.

"You will soon be about and ail right again now, old feliow," he said.

I shook my head and laughed ceive yourselves," I said. "I may be about for a little, but I shall never be all go out to thee, Sorais. right again. I am a dying man, Curtis, I may die slow, but die I must. Do you know, I have been spitting blood all the morning? I tell you there is something working away into my lung, I can feel it. There, don't look sed; I have had my day, and am ready to go. Give me the mirror, will you! I want to look at myself."

He made some excuse, but I saw through its ringe gift give I it to him, to do with even as and insisted, and at last he handed me one of the disks of polished silver, set in a wooden frame like a hand screen, which serve as looking glasses in Zu-Vendia. I looked and

"Ah," I said quietly, "I thought so, and you talk of my getting all right!" I did not like to let them see how shocked I really was at own appearance. My grizzled stubby hair was turned snow white, and my yellow face was shrunk like an aged woman's and putting the thing, though true and forcible had two deep purple rings painted beneath

again turned the subject, telling me that the tached—eh—attached to—to the Queen artists had taken a cast of the dead body of rais. I am—eh—not aware what the old Umslopogaas, and that a great statue in to be matched by another statue in white marble of myself and the horse Daylight as be appeared when, at the termination of that wild ride, he sank beneath me in the court erty to live unmoiested so far as we are con yard of the palace. I have since seen these cerned, eh, Nyleptha? Of course I only sug yard of the pance. I have something this, gest."
statues, which, at the time of writing this, gest."
So far as I am concerned," said Good, colhed; and very beautiful they are, especi ally that of Umslopogaas, which is exactly like him. As for that of myself, it is good, but they have idealized my ugly face a little, which is perhaps as well, seeing that thou-sands of people will probably look at in the centuries to come, and it is not pleasant to

look at ugly things.

Then they told me that Umslopogans' last wish had been carried out, and that instead of being cremated, as I shall be, after the usual custom here, he had been tied up Zulu

masonry of the s-micircular space at the top of the stair he defended so splendidly, which faces, as far as we can judge, almost exactly soward Zululand. There he sits and will sit soward Zululand. There he saw with spices forever, for they embaimed him with spices forever, for they embaimed him with spices for tight stone coffer, keeping his grim watch beneath the spot be held alone against a multitude; and the shaking the phantom of Inkosi kaas at phan tom foes. Certainly they fear during the dark hours to pass the place where the hero

CHAPTER XXIII.

I HAVE SPOKEN. It was a week after Nyleptin's visit, when I had begun to get about a little in the middle of the day, that a message came to me from Sir Henry to say that Sorais would be brought before them in the queen's first ber at midday, and requested my

fallen on entering the yard; and I bade those drawn by curiosity to see this unhappy wo-who supported me take me near him that I men once more, I made shift, with the help might look on the good beast once more be- of that kind little fellow Alphouse who is fore he was dragged away. And as I looked, perfect treasure to me, and that of another to my astonishment, he opened his eyes, and, wasting man, to reach the antechamber 1 could have shouted for joy to find that he a few of the great court officials who had was not dead, only unfortunately I had not a been bidden to be present, but I had scarcely shout left in me; but as it was grooms were seated myself before Sorais was brought in. sent for and he was lifted up and wine by a party of guards looking as beautiful poured down his throat, and in a fortnight and defiant as ever but with a worn exhe was as well and strong as ever, and is the pression on her proud face. She was a pride and joy of all the people of Milosis, usual, dressed in her royal kat emblazaned who, whenever they see him, point him out with the emblem of the Sun and in her right pang of admiration and pity went through Then I went on and got off to bed, and was me as I looked at her and struggling to my feet I bowed deeply at the same time ex pressing my sorrow that I was not able owing to my condition, to remain standing

> She colored a little and then laughed bit "Thou dost forget, Macumazal she said, "I am no more a queen save in blood: I am an outcast and a prisor whom all men should scorn, and none show deference to

"At least," I replied, "thou art still a lady Also thou art in an evil case, and therefore it is doubly due."

"thou dost forget that I would have wrapped thee in a sheet of gold and hung thee to the angel's trumpet at the topmost pinnacle of the

not; indeed I often thought of it when it seemed to me that the battle of the Pass was turning against us, but the trumpet is there, and I am still here, though perchance not for long, so why talk of it now!" "Ah!" she went on, "the battle the battle

Oh, would that I were once more a queen, if only for one little hour, and I would take such mee on those accursed jackals who deserted me in my need, that it should only be spoken of in whispers, those women, those pigeon hearted half breeds who suffered them selves to be overcome." and she choked in be "Ay, and that little coward beside thee," she

went on, pointing at Alphonse with the silver spear, whereat he looked very uncomforta-"he escaped and betraved my plans. I tried to make a general of him, teiling the soldiers it was Bougwan, and to scourge valor unhappy recollection, "but it was of no avail. He hid beneath a banner in my tent and thus overheard all my plans. I would that I had slain him, but, alast I beld my band. And thou, Macumazahn, I have beard of meet us today and there was a grand to do, I thou didst, thou art a brave man and hast a can tell you. He is coming to see you to morrow, the doctors for there is a medical 'fac-was a man. I fain would have seen him hurl Nasta from the stairway."

"Thou art a strange woman, Sorais," I mid "I pray thee now plead with the Queen Nyleptha, that perchance she may show mercy unto thee."

She laughed out loud. "I plead for mercy?" she said, and at that moment the queen en-tered accompanied by Sir Henry and Good, and took her seat with an impassive face. As for poor Good, he looked intensely ill at ease. "Greeting, Sorais," said Nyleptha, after a short pause. "Thou hast rent the kingdom like a rag, thou hast put thousands of my people to the sword, thou hast twice basely plotted to destroy my life by murder, tho hast sworn to slay my lord and his compan

that my sister will slay me, not because I evied war. It is perhaps happy for thee,

Nyleptha, that I fixed my mind upon his love Loo late.
"Listen," she went on, raising her voice, "I have naught to say save that I would I had won instead of lost. Do thou with me even as thou wilt, O queen, and let my lord the ting there" (pointing to Sir Henry), "for now will he be king, carry out the sentence, as it of the evil, let him also be the end," and she drew herself up and shot one angry glance at him from her deep fringed eyes, and then be-

gan to toy with her spear. Sir Henry bent toward Nyleptha and whispered something that I could not catch, and

then the queen spoke.
"Sornis, ever have I been a good sister to when his eyes fell upon my face.

As for Nyleptha, she was positively radiant

thee. When our father died, and there was much talk in the land as to whether thou shouldst sit upon the throne with me, I being the elder, I gave my voice for thee and said, 'Nay, let her sit. She is twin with me, we were born at a birth; wherefore should the one be preferred before the other? And so has it ever been 'twixt thee and me, my tister. But now thou knowest in what sort thou hast repaid me, but I have prevailed, and thy life Corfeit, Sorais. And yet art thou my sister, born at a birth with me, and we played together when we were little and loved each other much, and at night we slept in the same cot with our arms each around the other's neck, and therefore even now does my beart

"But not for that would I spare thy life, for thy offense has been too heavy; it doth drag down the wide wings of my mercy even to the ground. Also, while thou dost live the

land will never be at peace.
"Yet shalt thou not die, Sorais, because my dear lord here bath begged thy life of me as a boon; therefore as a boon and as a marhe wills, knowing that, though thou dost love him, he loves thee not, Sorais, for all thy beauty. Nay, though thou art lovely as the night in all her stars, O Lady of the Night, vet is it me his wife whom he loves, and not thee, and theref are do I give thy life to him."

Sorais flushed up to her eyes and said nothing, and I do not think that I ever saw a man look more miserable than did Sir Henry at that moment. Somehow Nyleptha's enough, was not altogether pleasant.

"I understood," stammered Curtis, looking Here Nyleptha began to cry, and Sir Henry at Good-"I understood that you were attached-eh-attached to-to the Queen Sogass, and that a great statue in short, the state of your feelings may be just a was to be erected of him in the now; but if they happen to be that way inact of splitting the sacred stone, which was clined, it has struck me that—in short, it to be matched by another statue in white might put a satisfactory end to an unpleasant business. The lady also has ampl estates, where I am sure she would be at libcerned, eh, Nyleptha? Of course I only sug-

> oring up, "I am quite willing to forget the past; and if the Lady of the Night thinks me worth having I will marry her to-morrow, or when she likes, and try to make her a good

"I thank thee most gracious queen and sister, for the loving kindness thou hast shown me from my youth up, and especially in that thou has been pleased to give my

Incubu-the king that is to be. May prosperity, peace and plenty deck the life path of one so merciful and so tender even as flowers do. Long mayest thou reign, O great and glorious queen, and hold thy husband's love in both thy hands, and many be the sons and daughters of thy beauty And I thank thee my Lord Incuba-the king that is to be-I thank thee a thousand times in that thou hast been pleased to accept that gracious gift, and to pass it on to thy comrade in arms and in adventure, the Lord Bougwan. Surely the act is worthy of thy greatness, my Lord is large for the ripened food, the cellar is my Lord Bougwan, who in thy turn hast deigned to accept me and my poor beauty . thank thee a thousand times, and I will add that thou art a good and honest man, and I put my hand upon my heart and swear that I would that I could say thee yea. And now that I have rendered thanks to all in turn"-and again she smiled-"I will add one

"Little can ye understand of me, Nyleptha and my lords, if ye know not that for m there is no middle path that I scorn your pity and hate ye for it that I cast off your for giveness as though it were a serpent's sting and that standing here, betrayed, deserted, insulted and aione, I yet triumph over ye, mock ye and defy ye, one and all, and thus I This addition was at first regarded as a mower ye," and then of a sudden, before anybody guessed what she intended to do, she fruit evenly and brought out a golden drave the little silver spear she carried in her color on the skin; but it was found that hand into her side with such a strong and when ripened in this manner the fruit was color on the skin; but it was found that hand into her side with such a strong and when ripened in this manner the fruit was color on the skin; but it was found that hand into her side with such a strong and when ripened in this manner the fruit was steady aim that the keen point projected extremely delicate, and that it spoiled al-through her back, and she fell prone upon the most immediately when exposed to an

Nyleptha shricked, and poor Good almost and with a sob ber dark yet splendid spirit

there was an end of her. It was a month after the last act of the So rais tragedy that there was a great ceremony in the Flower Temple, and Curtis was for mally declared king consort of Zu Vendis. 1 was too iil to go myself, and, indeed, I hate all that sort of thing, with the crowds and the trumpet blowing and banner waving, but Good, who was there in his full dress uni form), came back much impressed, and told me that Nyleptha had looked lovely, and Curleft no doubt as to his popularity. Also he told me that when the horse Daylight was led along in the procession, the populace had shouted "Macumazahn, Macumazahn!" till they were hourse and would only be appeared when he, Good, rose in his chariot and tole

them that I was too ill to be present. Afterwards, too, Sir Henry, or rather the king, came to see me, looking very tired, and grounds along the Mississippi and Mis-vowing that he had never been so bored in souri valleys and the prairies of Kansas his life, but I dare say that that was a slight and Arkansas. Owing to the difficulties exaggeration. It is not in buman nature that of transportation, they very seldom visi a man should be altogether bored on such an the Indian territory, where game exists in extraordinary occasion; and, indeed, as 1 the greatest abundance. By no means the pointed out to him, it was a marvelous thing least important member of the party is a that a man who but little more than one short dog. Those least experienced choose the year before had entered a great country as an unknown wanderer should today be married to its beautiful and beloved queen, and lifted the open coverts and well watched countries on the length to exhort him in the fature not to be carried away by the pride and pount of absolute reverse but always to the pride and pount of absolute reverse the always to the pride and inject registers. The short pount of absolute reverse but always to the pride and inject registers. pomp of absolute power, but always to strive haired pointer is, therefore, generally pre-to remember that he was first a Christian ferred, but the bench shows, so popular gentleman, and next a public servant, called by Providence to a great and almost unpre-jured the breeding of dogs for purely cedented trust. These remarks, which he might fairly have resented, he was so good as ally taken out by the amateur sportsma to receive with patience, and even to thank is, as a general thing, beautiful to behold. me for making them.

It was immediately after this ceremony that I caused myself to be moved to the house where I am now writing. It is a very pleas ant country seat, situated about two miles from the Frowning City, onto which it looks. That was five months ago, decime the whole of which time. during the whole of which time I have, being confined to a kind of cough. employed my leisure in compiling this history of our wanderings from my journal and our joint memories. It is probable that it will never be read, but it does not much matter whether it is or not, at any rate, it has served to while away many hours of suffering, for I have suffered a deal of pain lately. Thank God, however, there will not be much more Of the age in the medical line is the liquid of it.

It is a week since I wrote the above, and now I take up my pen for the last time, for I know that the end is at hand. My brain is still clear and I can manage to write, though with difficulty. The pain in my lung, which has been very bad during the last week, has suddenly quite left me and been succeeded by a feeling of numbness of which I cannot mistake the meaning.

And so this is the end of it-a brief space of troubling, a few restless, fevered, anguis ed years, and then the arms of that great angel death. Many times have I been near to them, many and many a comrade have they embraced even at my side, and now it is my turn at last, and it is well. Twentyfrom me, and with it all its hopes and all its

Well, it is not a good world—nobody can say that it is save those who willfully blind themselves to facts. How can a world be long out; strengthens, cleanses, heals scalp. 50c good in which money is the moving power and self interest the guiding star! The won-der is not that it is so lad, but that there

should be any good left in it.
Still, now that my life is over, I am glad to have lived, glad to have known the dear breath of woman's love, and that true friend ship that can even surpass the love of woma to have heard the laughter of little children, to have seen the sun and the moo and the stars, to have felt the kiss of the sal sea on my face, and watch the wild game trek down to the water in the moonlight But I should not wish to five again! Everything is changing to me. The dark-

ess draws near, and the light departs. And ness draws near, and the light departs. And yet it seems to me that through the darkness I can already see the shining welcome of many a long lost face. Harry is there, and others; one above all, to my mind the sweetest and most perfect woman that ever gladdened this gray earth. But of her I have aiready written elsewhere, and at length, so why speak of her now! Why speak of her after this long silence, now that she is again The sinking sun is turning the golden roof

of the great temple to a flery flame, and my fingers tir So to all who have known me, or who car think one kindly thought of the old hunter, I stretch out my hand from the far off shore and bid a long farewell. And now into the hands of Almighty God,

who sent it, do I commit my spirit.
"I have spoken," as the Zulus say.

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Features of the Banana Trade.

The middlemen in the banana business purchase their wock at the wharves as person and my fate as a gift to the Lord soon as the vessel begins to unload. They and cart them immediately to the cellars, where they are ripened. The banana reaches this country in an extremely green condition. Upon reaching these cellars the bunches are hung on hooks suspended in rows along the ceiling. In the center of the cellar is a gas or oil stove, which is generally so regulated as to preserve a temperature of 60 or 70 degs. Fahrenheit. Here the fruit ripens gradually until it is

ready for the retailers. Sometimes, however, when the demand heated to 75 degs., and sometimes even 80 degs., but at this temperature the banana is apt to "cook," as it is called, and lose its flavor. In general the temperature of the cellar is varied as the condition of the fruit demands. If the fruit is chilled, a high temperature is imperative.

Some little time ago ice boxes were introduced to the ripening rooms. In the top of the box is a large apartment into which the ice is put, while underneath long dripping pans of galvanized iron are long dripping pans placed. The heat from the gas stove converted the ice into water, which slowly runs down into the pans below. There it quickly evaporates and reaches the top of the room where the bananas are hung. This addition was at first regarded as a

open atmosphere.

The banana must be nursed as carefully fainted at the sight, while the rest of us as a child. Any sudden change of tem-rushed toward her. But Sorais of the Night perature or exposure to inclement weather rushed toward her. But Sorais or the conditional fixed herself upon her hand and for a moment is very sure to produce a nad enect. In the produce a nad enect fixed her glorious eyes intently on Curtis fruit may be ripened in twenty-four hours fixed her glorious eyes intently on Curtis from the time of its arrival, but it is from the time of its arrival but it is

nd with a sob ber dark yet splendid spirit assed.

Well, they gave her a royal funeral, and bere was an end of her.

In the transportation of this fruit very great care is used. The bunches are first carefully enfolded in paper bags and then packed in patent heated cars. These cars contain oil stoves, and are fitted with patent ventilators, which p eserve an even temperature about the ruit.—New York Evening World.

The Fashionable Gunner. The so called "sportsman" is a being magnificent in appearance and tremendous in pretensions. Like the lilies of the field tis had borne himself in a right royal fashion, and had been received with acclamations that suit with innumerable pockets, a pair of omon, in all his glory, was most assuredly expensive waterproof boots, a slot lrawn carefully over the eyes, a game bag of ample proportions and unstained by the blood of slaughtered fowls, and a shotgun of the most approved make and highly or namented, are the inseparable concortants of this class of hunters Two fields are open to them-the duck

> ally taken out by the amateur sportsma but of little practical use.-Globe-Den

A Hore Kess Tree

The Dutch horticultural journal, Sem pervirens, relates that a concert was lately given in the garden of Mme. Reynan, at Roosteren, in Lemburg, the performers, thirty in number, being placed beneath the shelter of a weeping rose, the head of which measures twenty metera in circumference. It is calculated that there were at least 10,000 roses upon the tree.-Chicago Herald.

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All eyes were now turned to Sorais, who stood with that same slow smile upon her beautiful face that I had noticed the first time that I ever saw her. She paused a little while and cleared her throat, and then thrice she courtesied low, once to Good, and began to speak in medicine eyet made that will remove all use be continued, they are unsafe. A winner and if their utility, but in the math, and in the substitute and the use be continued, they are the substitute and the use be continued, they are the use be continued, they are the substitute and the use be continued, they are the use be continued, they are the use be continued, they are the use be continued

DAYLIGHT.



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it not be reasonably called daylight
As for instance, take the case of Captain
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at once. I have used it for syrains and never
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date of July 1, 1887, he savs: "I used the
Oli as stated and was permanently cured of Oil as stated and was permanently cured of rheumatism by its use." During the inter-vening six years there had been no recur-rence of the pain. Also a letter from Mr. H. M. Converse of the

M. Converse, of the Warren (Mass.) Herald, dated July 9, 1887, as follows: rheumatism in shoulder and arm, so that she could not raise her hand to her head. A few applications of St. Jacobs Oil cured her

manently, and she has had no return of
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